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FOLLOWING REPEAT MOGADISCIO 863 ACTION SECSTATE INFO ADDIS ABABA  
ANTANANARIVO DAR ES SALAAM KHARTOUM LONDON MAPUTO NAIROBI PARIS  
PORT LOUIS VICTORIA DJIBOUTI MAY 29.

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L MOGADISCIO 0863

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DEPT PASS CINCPAC AND CINCUSNAVEUR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PLOS, PFOR, MARR, US, XO

SUBJ: SPECIAL US EMISSARY ON INDIAN OCEAN

REF: ANTANANARIVO 916

1. WE BELIEVE THAT IN RIGHT CIRCUMSTANCES SPECIAL EMISSARY ON  
INDIAN OCEAN COULD BE marginally helpful in our efforts to warm  
up US/GSDR relations, but there are serious risks involved which,  
if not addressed, could make emissary counter-productive, AT  
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LEAST AS FAR AS US INTERESTS IN SOMALIA ARE CONCERNED.

2. GSDR HAS DIRECT AND PERMANENT INTEREST IN STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS  
OF GREAT POWER MILITARY COMPETITION IN INDIAN OCEAN, AND PRESUMABLY  
WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS ITS VIEWS ON SUBJECT. WE  
HAVE AN INTEREST IN EXPANDING AND DEEPENING DIALOGUE WITH GSDR,  
IN EFFORT TO MELT SOME OF THE POLITICAL SUSPICIONS AND HOSTILITIES

OF PAST. BUT GSDR'S PRESENT POLITICO-MILITARY RELATIONS WITH SOVIETS ARE SUCH THAT IT WOULD DEEPLY RESENT ANY US APPROACH THAT WAS NOT RELATED TO PROGRESS IN US/SOVIET NEGOTIATIONS ON INDIAN OCEAN AND APPEARED BE EFFORT TO USE GSDR TO SCORE PROPAGANDA POINTS OFF SOVIETS. UNTIL US/SOVIET NEGOTIATIONS REACH STAGE WHERE INDIAN OCEAN DEMILITARIZATION IS NO LONGER MERE SLOGAN, THEREFORE, WE WOULD NOT RECOMMEND THAT EMISSARY COME TO SOMALIA. LOUGHRAN UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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